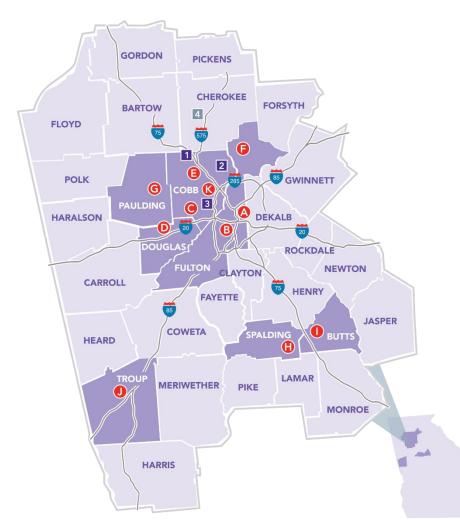


The Cost of Distracted Driving

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HOSPITALS

- WellStar Atlanta Medical Center
- **B** WellStar Atlanta Medical Center South
- **@** WellStar Cobb Hospital
- WellStar Douglas Hospital
- WellStar Kennestone Hospital
- WellStar North Fulton Hospital
- **6** WellStar Paulding Hospital
- (1) WellStar Spalding Regional Hospital
- WellStar Sylvan Grove Hospital
- WellStar West Georgia Medical Center
- **(** WellStar Windy Hill Hospital

HEALTH PARKS

- 1 WellStar Acworth Health Park
- 2 WellStar East Cobb Health Park
- 3 WellStar Vinings Health Park
- 4 WellStar Cherokee Health Park (Tentative opening by end of 2019)

















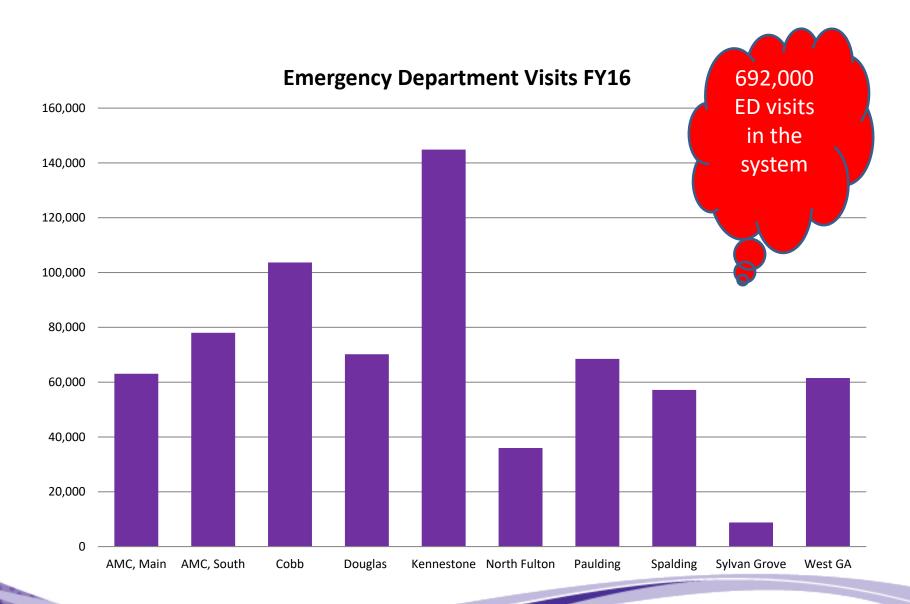


















Trauma Centers

- WellStar North Fulton Trauma Center Trauma Alerts
 - Approximately 546 annually
- WellStar Kennestone Trauma Center Trauma Alerts
 - Approximately 1200 annually
- WellStar Atlanta Medical Center Downtown Trauma Alerts
 - Approximately 2800 Annually



Trauma Care

- WellStar's Trauma Alert Patients are
 - 80% Blunt trauma
 - Motor Vehicular Crashes (MVCs)
 - Pedestrians hit by car
 - Falls
 - 20% Penetrating
 - Gun Shot Wounds (GSWs)
 - Stabbing
 - other



Cost of Trauma Care

 According to The Advisory Board in 2012 the average per cost per patient of a trauma alert was \$18,929.

 According to the American College of surgeons in 2005 injury related deaths cost the U.S 136 Billion dollars



Leading Cause of Death

 Unintentional injuries are 4th leading cause of death

1st leading cause of death in the age 1-44

 5.2 percent of all total deaths are related to unintentional injuries



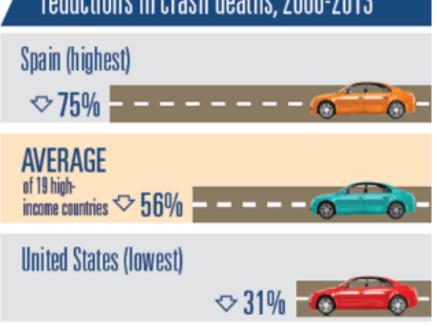
Road traffic deaths in the US and other high-income countries.

Motor vehicle crash deaths in 10 comparison high-income countries, 2013



Deaths per 100,000 people

Countries with the highest and lowest reductions in crash deaths, 2000-2013



Deaths per 100,000 people

SOURCE: International Road Traffic and Accident Database (IRTAD) Road Safety Annual Report, 2015.

SOURCE WHO Global Status Report on Road Safety, 2015.

Understanding Distraction

Eyes off the Road

Hands off the Wheel

Roadside Billboards Checking Self in Mirror Gawking at Crash Scenes Personal Grooming Reading Maps or Newspapers Reaching for Fallen Objects Attending to Passengers/Pets Texting while Driving Eating
Drinking
Using a Handheld Cell Phone
Manipulating Vehicle Instruments
Changing CDs

Talking with Passengers
Using a Hands-Free Cell Phone
Using Voice-Activated Features
Daydreaming

Mind off of Driving

which occurs during any distracting activity



National Data

- More than 2.5 million drivers and passengers were treated related to Motor Vehicular Crashes in 2012
- According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) in 2013
 - 424,000 were injured related to distracted driving
 - 18% of all driving related injuries
 - 3154 fatalities were related to distracted driving
 - 10% of all driving related fatalities



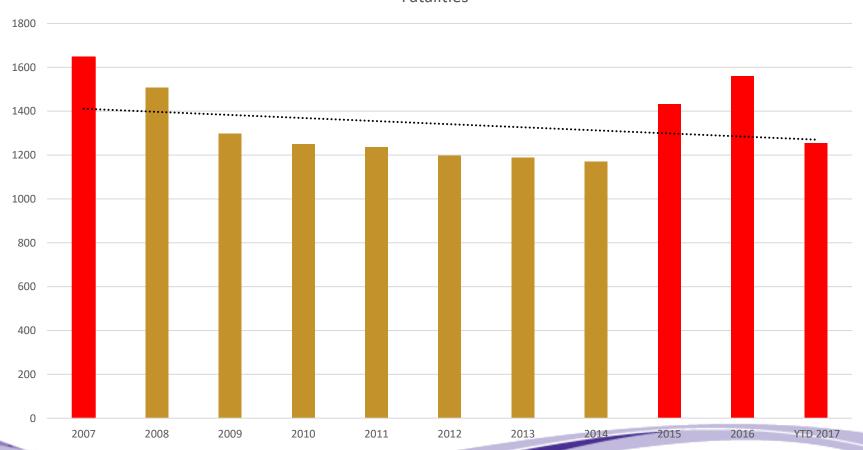
National Data

- One NHTSA 1700 driver observational study showed
 - 3 out of 4 drivers utilizing cell phone committed a traffic violation
 - Talking on cellphone while driving makes you 4 times more likely to crash
 - Texting while driving makes you 23 times more likely to crash



Georgia Fatality Trends

Fatalities





Distracted Driving Data in Georgia

Based on the national data

-1561 deaths in Georgia in 2016

-156 deaths in GeorgiaRelated to DistractedDriving ⁽²⁾



Impact in Metro Atlanta

- Emergency Departments (ED) are overcrowded
- Increased wait times for patients to be seen and treated in the ED
- Overcrowding in the Intensive Care Units causing patients to spend an increased amount of time in the ED



Unseen Costs in Georgia

- Families Loss of Mother, Father, Child etc.
- Burden on the workforce
- Healthcare Providers
 - Deaths related to Distracted Driving
 - Healthcare providers are impacted by every senseless death
 - Takes a toll on home life



Toll on Healthcare workers

- One study in trauma center
 - 35.9% of Trauma Nurses have behaviors consistent with burnout

7% self reported secondary traumatic stress

 78.9% have behaviors consistent with compassion fatigue which leads to burnout



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